

Good afternoon Mr. Riley, Ms. Hanna, and Mr. Henry,

Kodiak Area Native Association operating under 477 Plan will provide the following services in accordance with the Kodiak Area Native Association 477 approved plan and policies as applicable.

Re: planned use of Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSA) Funds is as follows:

Direct Child Care Services (Subsidies)

The Kodiak Area Native Association does plan to use the CRRSA funds to provide direct childcare services including, but not limited to;

- Childcare subsidy assistance to health care sector employees
- Emergency responders
- Sanitation workers
- Farm and other food service workers
- and/or other workers deemed essential or frontline during the response to coronavirus

Implementation of Virus Mitigation Policies and Practices

The Kodiak Area Native Association 477 program will use CRRSA funds to provide resources for the following, but not limited to;

- Resources
- Supplies
- Technical assistance to childcare providers to support implementation of health and safety practices and policies in line with the guidance from State and local health departments and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Address the needs of children (including the need for safe child care, before, during and after a state of emergency) during declared emergencies and/or disaster
- Activities listed under the Improvement of Quality and Delivery of Services section of the 477 Plan.

Grants or Assistance (Other than Subsidies) to Stabilize Child Care Providers

The Kodiak Area Native Association's 477 program will use CRRSA funds to, but are not limited to;

- support the stability of the childcare sector to help childcare providers (program facilities and workforce) pay for increased operating expenses during the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- Retention Grants may be paid to Providers in order to retain and/or maintain open and equal access to quality child care supply and availability to the community.

The 477 program will follow the approved plan and any approved tribal policy that is applicable.

Assistance to Providers Not Participating in the Subsidy System Prior to the Pandemic

The Kodiak Area Native Association's 477 program will follow their approved plan and policy and procedures in providing services to CCDF eligible providers to include child care providers not participating in the subsidy system prior to COVID-19 public health emergency.

Other

The Kodiak Area Native Association approved 477 plan, approved waivers, and policy and procedures will be used to determine eligible expenses other than what is determined in the above statements.

If the Kodiak Area Native Association 477 program determines the funds will be used for construction, then a construction/renovation application will be sent in no later than July 1, 2021.